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Check out Page 3 for coverage of this year's Kaw Valley Rodeo, and visit [www.kstatecollegian.com](http://www.kstatecollegian.com) for more photos of the action at the rodeo and the Riley County Fair.

FAREWELL

The Collegian says goodbye for the rest of the summer. The first issue for the fall semester will be Aug. 24. We hope our editions this summer have offered valuable information and brought jollity to your lives!

EDGE

Look at Page 6 for information on what headphones dish out the best beats.



# Sweet summertime

## Fairgoers find excitement, nostalgia at carnival

By Tiffany Roney  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Music blasted, rides spun, lights flashed and crowds roamed as CiCo Park transformed into an amusement park for the carnival portion of the Riley County Fair on Friday night.

"I'm probably going to ride the Ferris wheel. Every fair you go to, you always see a Ferris wheel – that's the one thing the fair is known for," said Preston Davis, Manhattan resident. "It brings back memories of your childhood."

"You get to hear the music on the carousel – the 'dun dun da-da-da dun dun do do.' It's fun to relive."

In addition to the Ferris wheel and other traditional carnival fare, the event featured a larger challenge called the "Wacky Bike."

Fairgoers were dared to "ride past this line to win!" as written on the sign. The first cyclist to conquer the Wacky Bike would be awarded an iPod, the Wacky Bike attendants said.

"I won it two years ago, so I want to win the iPod again," said Krissy Bryan, sophomore at Manhattan High School, after attempting the Wacky Bike challenge.

"I had \$50, and I just kept doing it again and again. My brother told me that when you lean this way, you have to turn the other way – and when you lean the other way, you have to turn this way. I hope I can still do it and get a new iPod."

Though more adults poured in as the night progressed, the vast majority of attendees were middle- and high-school students excited to wear their favorite summer clothes and meet up with friends.

"It's a blast, and everybody's here," said James Loub, senior at Manhattan High School, who admitted that the "kiddie rides" were his favorite part.

"I love the carousel – all the beautiful animals; they're so pretty," Loub said. "It brings me back to my childhood. I don't really care if people laugh at me, because I'm just enjoying myself."

"The carnival is the most fun you can have in one night in Manhattan, Kansas."



Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

Dalton Lanchester and Kristi Hill, Manhattan, embrace while waiting in line for a ride at the Riley County Fair carnival Friday evening. Many local high-school students attended the fair this weekend.

The carnival came to Manhattan as part of the Ottaway Amusement Company.

"We've had a long-term relationship with them," said Danny Rogers, member of the Riley County Fair Board. "They've been there all the years my kids were growing up. They bring a variety of stuff each year – all the booths and rides. They appear to have done a good job."

## NBAF location decision still controversial

By Aaron Weiser  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A recent government investigation has called into question the future of the National Bio and Agro-defense Facility in Kansas.

According to a draft report by the Government Accountability Office, the Department of Homeland Security allegedly relied on a rushed, flawed study to justify its decision to locate the NBAF in Manhattan.

"The issue raised is somewhat bizarre here. The point needs to be made that our nation is fundamentally unprepared to handle foreign animal disease in the form of accident or terrorism," said Tom Thornton, president of the Kansas Bioscience Authority.

For three years, the Department of Homeland Security worked to find the best site for the new animal disease research facility and in January published its record of decision officially naming Manhattan and, by extension, K-State, the new home of the NBAF project.

The project was scheduled to be in the funding process this fall, with proposals due at the end of May 2010.

A report on foot-and-mouth disease published by the GAO in May 2008 concluded that the Department of Homeland Security had acted foolishly by not carrying out significant studies on what kind of effect disease outbreak could have in the U.S.

"First off, the GAO report is

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## Commission proposes updates to interections

By Chance York  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Manhattan City Commission met Tuesday evening with city engineer Robert Ott and representatives from BG Consultants Inc. to discuss proposed updates to two intersections in west Manhattan.

Jason Hoskinson, design engineer for BG Consultants, said the purpose of the meeting was to get input and direction from the city commission regarding the addition of traffic signals or roundabouts at the intersections of Anderson Avenue and Scenic Drive, and Anderson and Sharingbrook Drive near Frank Anneberg Park.

"We're here tonight because we're trying to figure out which path we're going to go down with this project," Hoskinson said.

Among recommendations put forth by engineers from BG Consultants was the construction of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Anderson and Scenic Drive and a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of Anderson and Sharingbrook Drive. These particular additions would cost approximately \$1.5 million and \$1.1 million, respectively.

However, Hoskinson said the cost to the city would be worth-

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## Moran, Tiahrt face off for Kansas Senate position

By Hannah Blick  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

There could be trouble in paradise for Kansas Republicans.

Reps. Jerry Moran and Todd Tiahrt are both seeking next year's Republican Party nomination for Sen. Sam Brownback's seat. Brownback will be running for governor of Kansas, according to a July 16 article on the Wichita Eagle's Web site.

According to Joe Aistrup, professor of political science, if the two continue running for the position, Kansas government could lose out on a stable figure.

"It's a tough situation for a candidate to withdraw from a race, but not impossible," he said. "The filing date is June 2010, so if they are going to, they need to do it sooner rather than later – I would say by January."

Aistrup said the race will come down to the money each representative is able to raise.

"Right now it appears that Jerry Moran has a leg up on Tiahrt," he said, referring to the more than \$3 million Moran has collected, versus Tiahrt's \$1.5 million.

"Moran has a substantial amount of funding, and at this stage in the game that's crucial. The ability to raise money is vindictive to what conservatives are supporting him."

Aistrup also said Moran's recent endorsements from Johnson County mayors could give him another boost at the polls. Johnson County is home to about 170,000 registered Republicans, which is more than one-fifth of the state's total, according to the Eagle.

Kansas Democrats have not declared a campaign hopeful for the position yet, but Rep. Sydney Carlin, D-Manhattan, said there should be a nominated Democratic candidate after August 2010.

"I think the Democrats are looking with great interest at the seat," she said.

Tiahrt has represented the Fourth Congressional District in south-central Kansas, which centers around Wichita, since 1994.

He is known for more socially conservative viewpoints and is endorsed by groups like the Traditional Values Coalition, Family Research Council and Kansans for Life, according to the Eagle.

Moran has been in the First District seat, which includes western Kansas, since 1996. He has been endorsed by Republican Sens. Tom Coburn of Oklahoma, Mike Johanns of Nebraska and John Thune of South Dakota.



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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: G equals Y

# Union parking garage set to open next month



Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

The wait is almost over for one of the most discussed K-State construction projects in recent memory. University officials are hoping the first three levels of the parking garage on the south side of the K-State Student Union will be open by Aug. 17, said Gary Leitnaker, assistant vice president

of human resources and parking. Construction crews only have to finish work on stairs and electronic components before the structure will be usable. Providing access to most levels a week before classes start on Aug. 25 should be more convenient for students returning to campus, especially those

purchasing textbooks and supplies in the Union, Leitnaker said. He also said he is hopeful the top level and skywalk will be finished before school begins. The project will not be considered complete until landscaping is finished, which Leitnaker said should be sometime in early October.

## WEIRD NEWS

**DRIVER TELLS CONN. POLICE SNAKES LED TO SUV CRASH**  
HARTFORD, Conn. - Police say a driver blamed a car crash in Hartford on two pet baby snakes he said escaped from his pants pockets as he was driving. Hartford police Sgt. Christene Mertes says Angel Rolon, of New Britain, claimed he lost control of his SUV on Monday when the snakes slithered near the gas and brake pedals and he and a passenger tried to catch them. The SUV veered into some parked cars and overturned. Mertes says animal control officers never found the snakes and have been unable to confirm his story. Rolon was treated at a hospital for unknown injuries. Police say they gave him a summons for reckless driving.

**PHONE NUMBER FOR 'JENNY' UP FOR AUCTION**  
PHILADELPHIA - It may be the most famous telephone number in popular culture, and it's for sale. The number from the Tommy Tutone hit song "Jenny" — 867-5309, with the Philadelphia area code 267 — is being auctioned off on eBay. Many so-called "Jenny" numbers were taken out of service in the early 80s, after the 1982 song prompted a national wave of phony phone calls to the number in various area codes. The eBay seller is listed as a Jason Kaplan from Southampton, Pa. After two days, bidding for this one was up to about \$700. The auction ends Tuesday.

**WOMAN ACCUSED OF RUNNING STRIP CLUB IN BASEMENT**  
LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. - Police investigating a noise complaint arrested a 28-year-old woman they said was operating an illegal strip club in her basement and garage. Gwinnett County officers said they also found a sign at the home reading "1 Dollar Jello Shots" and minors drinking alcohol on July 18. The woman faces a misdemeanor charge of maintaining a disorderly house and is free on bond. Another woman who lives with the suspect said the whole thing was just a misunderstanding. She said friends threw the suspect a party to celebrate her birthday and newly renovated home. She said there were no strippers or underage drinking. — news.aol.com

## THIS DAY IN HISTORY ...

**NASA IS CREATED**  
On July 29, 1958, the U.S. Congress passed legislation establishing the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), a civilian agency responsible for coordinating America's activities in space. NASA was created in response to the Soviet Union's October 4, 1957 launch of its first satellite, Sputnik I. The Sputnik launch caught Americans by surprise and sparked fears that the Soviets might also be capable of sending missiles with nuclear weapons from Europe to America. The U.S. prided itself on being at the forefront of technology, and, embarrassed, immediately began developing a response, signaling the start of the U.S.-Soviet space race.

In December, America attempted to launch a satellite of its own, called Vanguard, but it exploded shortly after takeoff. On January 31, 1958, things went better with Explorer I, the first U.S. satellite to successfully orbit the earth. In July, Congress passed legislation officially establishing NASA from the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics and other government agencies, and confirming the country's commitment to winning the space race. In May 1961, President John F. Kennedy declared that America should put a man on the moon by the end of the decade. On July 20, 1969, NASA's Apollo 11 mission achieved that goal when astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first person to set foot on the moon. — history.com

### Also this week in history:

- 1492: Columbus sets sail

1588: Spanish Armada defeated

1876: Wild Bill Hickok murdered

1934: Hitler becomes German dictator

1936: Jesse Owens wins long jump at Berlin Olympics

1944: Anne Frank captured by Gestapo
- 1949: NBA is born

1965: President Lyndon Johnson signs Medicare bill

1975: Jimmy Hoffa disappears

1976: Son of Sam kills first victim

1981: Prince Charles marries Lady Diana

1990: Iraq invades Kuwait

## CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

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# Injuries fail to slow cowboys, clowns at Kaw Valley Rodeo



**Left:** Hazer **Drew Melvin** (left) of Nebraska guides a steer as **Chancy Larson**, Manhattan, makes a tackle during the Kaw Valley Rodeo Saturday. Larson finished fourth in the steer wrestling competition. **Right:** **Joni Hilburn**, 2008 Phillipsburg Rodeo Queen (right), and members of the Prairie Duster Drill team, **Hollie Runnion** (left) and **Wendey Shaw** wait before their Saturday night performance.

By Tim Schrag  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Many people might not be willing to deal with the chance of severe injury in the name of sport, but rodeo participants and officials do this each time they ride, including those injured at the 34th-annual Kaw Valley Rodeo last week.

Terry Converse, a member of the rodeo's board of directors, received nine staples and more than a dozen stitches Friday night after a saddle bronc went through a gate.

"I was X-rayed from head to toe," said Converse, who was back in action Saturday night.

The rodeo took place Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Wells Arena in CiCo Park during the Riley County Fair. The event featured riders from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Sandy Chandler, treasurer for the Kaw Valley Rodeo Association, said the rodeo has never had a life-threatening injury in its history. Part of this is in thanks to some rather co-

medic helpers. Greek Ellick has been a professional rodeo clown for 38 years and said the job is no laughing matter.

"Whenever it comes to bull riding, my job changes from comedy to life-and-death situations in a split second," he said.

Ellick, who said he loves his seasonal job, is also a professional spur builder. He said it takes about six hours on average to complete a set of spurs.

"My job's like any other job," he said. "You just got to put up with a little bull."

Ellick's family members accompany him on his tour often. His wife is a schoolteacher in their hometown of Rogersville, Ala., and his two daughters also compete in rodeos.

"A family that rodeos together stays together," he said.

Last week's crowds gathered each night for events including bull riding, mutton busting, team roping and barrel racing.

"This is a sell-out year for us," Chandler said.

The Kaw Valley Rodeo Association is run by volunteers.

Chandler said the association was responsible for building the arena in the early 1970s.

Chandler said the rodeo also sponsored a junior rodeo July 18 at Manhattan Town Center. Local children learned about rodeo events and even tried their hand at several events, like roping. During the actual rodeo, children also participated in events like mutton busting, during which they ride and try to stay on a sheep.

"It's great to see the little kids being around the horses and excitement, but it's also great to see the athleticism of our competitors," said Beth McQuade, senior in animal science and industry.

McQuade has been a member of the Kaw Valley Rodeo Association for several years; she also sang the national anthem Thursday and Saturday nights.

Converse said the association sponsors the K-State Rodeo team through scholarships, as well as the Kansas 4-H Foundation, Flint Hills Breadbasket and the Johnson Cancer Research Center at K-State.

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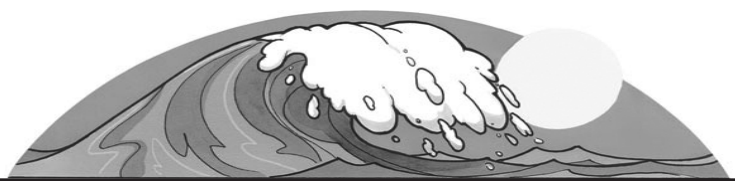
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## Defending Kansas



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### NBAF perfect for Manhattan, K-State communities

Most people know the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility as NBAF, and it's all I've heard about since I stepped on campus last fall. I truly believe that it will be great for our university. Former K-State President Jon Wefald has said countless times that K-State is a major research institution, and I think it's about time our school has a large enough facility to meet the needs of our university. It's too bad that so many others disagree.



**TIM SCHRAG**

The Associated Press reported Monday that Congress-

sional investigators said Department of Homeland Security might have relied on a flawed study to justify its decision to bring NBAF to K-State. According to the Government Accountability Office, it isn't "scientifically defensible" to safely handle dangerous animal diseases in Kansas or any area in the mainland U.S.

I find this utterly bogus. NBAF will be coming to Kansas. Our state has a great deal to offer as one of the agricultural centers of the world. However, it is by no means the center of the universe, which makes it the perfect place for serious research to be conducted. At the same time, the Centers for Disease Control are located in Atlanta, one of the most heavily populated areas in the nation, and they deal with things worse

than mad cow disease on a daily basis.

You don't hear people openly protesting about the location of the CDC, so people should not be unhappy about the location of NBAF. It makes no sense to me, especially when I've seen our fire and rescue crews in action in Riley County. Those men and women have the training and equipment to handle a plethora of disasters, and I feel confident in their abilities to allow such a facility to be built and still know I'm safe.

This isn't the first time that the idea of NBAF coming to K-State has been threatened. According to an article from the Kansas City Business Journal Monday, officials in Texas have raised various arguments ranging from political favoritism to the threat of tornadoes. However,

K-State was selected to host NBAF while a Texan, George W. Bush, was president. Texas is also the No. 1 state for tornadoes per year and the No. 2 state for hurricanes.

At this point, I think it would be too damaging to Kansas for DHS officials to change their mind now. They have already declared Kansas as the site, and they should stand by their decision, especially in these difficult economic times. The Kansas City Business Journal said NBAF is expected to have a \$3.5 billion effect on the Kansas economy. The proposed project will create as many as 500 federal jobs and bring in many additional jobs to support the needs of the growing Manhattan community. We cannot afford to let such a giving tree be removed. The consequences could lead

to an even greater economic crunch.

I've heard people talking about what NBAF will do to the local school system, and officials have already begun efforts to make roads to Manhattan more accessible. I would like to think that the city hasn't wasted any money on NBAF preparations, only to see NBAF go to the Lone Star State.

It's time for our government to stand by its decisions and help those they already promised to help. Write your Congresspersons and tell them you support NBAF at K-State. Every voice can make a difference.

**Tim Schrag is a sophomore in pre-journalism and mass communications. Please send comments to [opinion@spub.ksu.edu](mailto:opinion@spub.ksu.edu).**

### Renaming of Sears Tower undermines American history

The Willis Holding Group, a London insurance broker, took major control over America's tallest skyscraper, the Sears Tower, in March. With a deal that entailed the purchase of the majority of the office space in the skyscraper, the firm was allowed to rename the building the "Willis Tower."



**LISLE ALDERTON**

It's a shame this great modern marvel had to change its name to the Willis Tower, also known as "Big Willie." It is an insulting publicity stunt that undermines the beautiful 37-year history the building has had under the Sears name. I think this is one a sign of globalization,

and this particular incident comes as a loss to American society.

The Sears Tower is my beacon home, and a monument of the greatness that is America. It represents Chicago, my home for 20 years. I don't want to see something that defines my city to be stripped of its landmark name. To add insult to injury, the Sears Building management handed over naming rights for free.

How can we let such gross social injustice such as the defiling of a great representation of our society transpire? I think the only explanation for the way things played out is the truth of Chicago. I think the answer might lie in the words of Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley II, in response to a journalist asking if he would call the tower "Big Willie."

"Big Willie? Willis Tower, yeah. You know why? Because they stepped up to the plate," he said.

Daley is agreeing with a theme first presented by the great poet Carl Sandburg's poem "Chicago:"

*Fierce as a dog with tongue lapping for action, cunning As a savage pitted against the wilderness,*

*Bareheaded, Shoveling, Wrecking, Planning, Building, breaking, rebuilding*

This poem is what the Sears Tower represented to American citizens and the role Chicago would keep playing in today's world.

Sears Roebuck – the catalogue company that brought the selections of the big city to the frontier and held onto the great tower for years – has left center stage in American society. Therefore a new

player must enter in order to bring Chicago into the twenty-first century. The Willis Tower symbolizes part of the evolution of the tower itself. In the next few years, with the money brought from Willis Holding Company, the tower is scheduled to undergo a \$250 million renovation into the green skyscraper of the future. For Chicago is not a city of ruins like Athens or Rome. It forever will be a city on the move, hustling its way into the limelight and the center stage anyway it can.

While our monument's name might be changing, Chicago is still the city that is constantly "building, breaking, rebuilding."

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### Collegian editors share favorite summer memories

*What was your favorite Collegian experience this summer?*

**Matt Binter**, Editor-in-Chief: I enjoyed the content we produced. We had some big events this summer, like getting our new President Kirk Schulz and the audit.

**Rebecca Bush**, Managing Editor: I really enjoyed covering the Wamego fireworks show and one more Midwest Fourth of July before moving down South. This was my last K-State hurrah now that I'm a proud alumnus, and I loved every minute of it.

**Tim Schrag**, News Editor: I loved how much state news we covered and how much newsworthy content we had in each issue. But on a more personal note, I enjoyed covering Country Stampede, not to mention all the great times in the news room.

**Erica Blaauw**, Copy Chief: Staying up late into the night watching "SOS Cat." Also, just spending quality time with the newsroom staff, as this is my final semester with the Collegian.

**Whitney Hodgin**, Online/Mul-

timedia Editor: Raiding Indigo Wild with the staff during our retreat at the Kansas City Star.

**Chelsy Lueth**, Photo Editor: Definitely getting to know Mr. Hersh and beginning to tell his story.

**Owen Praeger**, Presentation Editor: I enjoyed the late night hooliganism in the Kedzie newsroom.

**Ann Conrad**, Campus Editor: Since it was my last summer with the Collegian and at K-State, I enjoyed spending time with all

the great people who work in the newsroom.

**Tiffany Roney**, Edge/Features Editor: I enjoyed the team atmosphere with a smaller staff. I also enjoyed taking more of a leadership role as an editor.

**Nathaniel LaRue**, Opinion Editor: My favorite experience was getting to share the joy of having a daughter with all of the people in the newsroom and around Student Publications. This was probably the best experience I've had so far in Kedzie.

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# Researchers train Egyptian businessmen on food safety

By Justin Moss  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

As food safety receives more and more national attention, K-State researchers and food safety experts are working hard to train and educate beyond U.S. borders. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's foreign services has chosen K-State to be the host of instructional sessions to a group of Cochran Fellows from Egypt.

The program, which started Friday and will continue until Tuesday, consists of a series of lectures and field trips to different sites in Manhattan and throughout northeast Kansas.

Justin Kastner, assistant professor of food safety and security, and Doug Powell, associate professor of food safety, will train the group of four Cochran Fellows.

The Cochran Fellows will be instructed on food safety-related legislation, food borne illness prevention, international regulations and import-export controls.

"Food safety does not respect borders, and we are committed in helping other countries build capacity in the im-

portant areas of food safety, food security and trade-policy development," Kastner said.

Megan Hardigree, research assistant with the One Health Kansas Program, and Edward Nyambok, research assistant with K-State's Frontier program, are also helping with the program.

"Some topics we have been discussing include the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration] regulations on imports and the bio-terrorism part of food safety, just to name a few," Nyambok said.

Though this is the first time visitors from Egypt have been through this program, it is not the first time the program has taken place at K-State. Last year, through the USDA, campus officials trained individuals from Thailand. Kastner said the program shares experiences and ideas across borders and that K-State will continue to apply to be part of this program.

The visiting Cochran Fellows are Mahmoud Hewedi, Medhat Garas, Mohamed Ahmed and Ashraf Abdalla.

"It has been a very good experience and we are very grateful. We have been taught by very



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

**Mahmoud Hewedi**, a consultant for a Dairy and Juice Products Company, far right, directs a question to **Edward Nyambok**, K-State research assistant, far left, during a lecture Tuesday afternoon about HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points). **Medhat Garas**, **Ashraf Abdalla** and **Mohamed Ahmed** wait for Nyambok's answer.

knowledgeable colleagues and it is a very enjoyable time exchanging experience and knowledge," Hewedi, a consultant for Halayeb Company for Dairy Products & Juice, said.

Hewedi said food safety is a critical issue socially, economically and health-wise.

"There is a saying that my grandmother used to say: 'Most people, regardless of where they are from, are a lot like you.' And this is true – many of the issues we deal with in the United States are similar to the issues our visitors face in Egypt," Kastner said.

## Sigmon named new senior associate athletics director

By Aaron Weiser  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Another office was filled in the athletics department this month when newly hired Senior Associate Athletics Director for Administration Reid Sigmon took his place inside Bramlage Coliseum.

According to a press release, Sigmon will be in charge of finance, contractual and legal matters for the athletics department, as well as acting as the department's liaison with the university counsel and the vice-president for administration and finance office.

He will also manage the athletic department's human resources and information technology offices, according to the press release.

Sigmon graduated from Wake Forest University in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in political science and from the University of Florida in 2003 with his master's of business administration.

Sigmon has been involved with business and sports throughout his ca-



Sigmon

reer. His previous duties have included working as an operations assistant for Wake Forest; serving as director, vice-president and executive director on three Super Bowl Host committees in Tampa Bay and Jacksonville; working as the director of stadium development and event operations for the Cleveland Browns; and serving as assistant director for the Tampa Bay Organizing Committee for the 1999 NCAA Division I Men's Final Four in St. Petersburg, Fla. Sigmon has also been taken part in a variety of business and development opportunities.

Sigmon has a full plate for the upcoming fall as K-State gears up for football season. With a large-scale marketing and ticket sales campaign, the athletics department sold 1,989 tickets for \$9 and within one day sold all 1,200 of the \$99 Pledge Season Tickets for the 2009 season.

"Our goal is to understand where we are financially, establish trust and prove that the students and athletes are in our best interests, maintaining transparency and continuing to put good processes in place will be our tactical plan, and personally just to learn as much as possible," Sigmon said. "We have great coaches here."

## Board of Regents members reappointed to 4-year terms

By Aaron Weiser  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Gov. Mark Parkinson announced in a news release last week that he has reappointed three members of the Kansas Board of Regents to new terms.

Christine Downey-Schmidt of Inman, Kan., Dan Lykins of Garden City, Kan., and Juana "Janie" Perkins of Topeka have been reappointed for four more years after their terms ended in June. Former Gov. Kathleen Sebelius appointed the three Regents in 2005.

The nine-member Kansas Board of Regents is the governing board of the state's six universities and the statewide coordinating board for the state's public higher education institutions, including 19 community colleges, six technical schools, five technical colleges and a municipal university. In

addition, the board administers the state's student financial aid, adult education, GED and career and technical education programs.

The board also authorizes private proprietary schools and out-of-state institutions to operate in Kansas and administers the Kan-Ed network, a statewide network that provides broadband Internet access and distance learning capabilities for schools, hospitals and libraries.

According to the news release, Downey-Schmidt and Perkins will serve their second four-year terms as at-large members. Lykins will serve his second, four-year term as a Second District Appointee.

Perkins currently serves as a member of the board's Academic Affairs Committee. She earned a B.S. in education and

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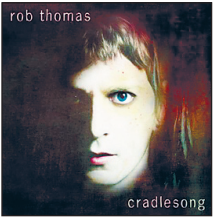
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Upbeat tracks make new Thomas album a hit



“Cradlesong”  
★★★★☆  
Album review by Bethany Fief

The familiar poppy/alternative rock sound of Rob Thomas’ new sophomore album explodes with uplifting love songs, slap-in-the-face reality comparisons and the infamous twangy yet upbeat, bad-haircut-but-can-sing Rob Thomas sound. Thomas’ smooth crooning brings something new to the table for Thomas and Matchbox 20 fans.

The opening track, “Her Diamonds,” has an instrumental composition with an almost gospel-choir sound toward the end of the track.

The track “Gasoline” is a bit bland and doesn’t have much to set it apart from the other songs.

However, the catchy “Give Me the Meltdown” adds variety to the tempo and basics of the album.

The electric guitar presence in the tune “Real World 09” and the foot-tapping tempo puts a great twist on Matchbox’s “Real World” from the band’s album “Yourself or Someone Like You.” Thomas does a great job of taking an old-school Matchbox 20 hit song, remaking it and turning it into something fresh and new.

The use of back-up vocals and choirs is incredible throughout the album and adds depth to the sound. The power of the African drums, acoustic guitars and other world percussion instruments makes for a set of tunes that is easy listening.

Lyricaly, the album feels close to Matchbox 20’s Top 40 and play-it-safe stanzas. Luckily, Thomas is a great writer and manages to put out great songs for both projects even if they do sound somewhat similar.

Thomas might play it safe, but his vocal talent shows up in “Cradlesong.”



Headphone styles vary in degrees of cost, comfort

By Hannah Blick  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

As athletes, activists, students, we are all moved by melodies – the sounds that motivate, touch and soothe.

As jazz musician Dizzy Gillespie said, “I don’t care much about music. What I like is sounds.”

Whether you’re looking for comfort, size, flexibility or price, a quality pair of headphones is an easy way to add taste to your daily listening regimen and improve the sound quality of your favorite songs.

SURROUND SOUND

The circular pads on circumaural headphones completely surround the ears and often are perfect for canceling outside noise.

Sarah Cunnick, owner of Sisters of Sound record store in Aggieville, said she prefers these older types of headphones because they allow her to fully enjoy the music without any distractions or discomfort.

“When I relax and sit down, I want to have a good time and hear music that was made to be clearly heard,” she said.

Cunnick said circumaural headphones were first worn in the late 1960s as stereos started developing and gaining popularity.

This vintage style is returning to the music scene, she said.

“Quality and comfort have started to become more important to people,” she said.

Panasonic RP-HTX7 monitor phones are available on *Amazon.com* in black, white, pink, red and green between \$30 and \$40, depending on style and color.

For a cheaper pair of vintage circumaural headphones, Cunnick suggested checking out local thrift stores or Manhattan Pawn Shop, located at 431 S. 5th St., where you can find bargains for less than \$10.

Even if the plug does not match up to your MP3 player, Cunnick said local music stores, including SOS, can solder, or trim down, older plugs to fit newer electronics. They also sell adapters for these plugs.

COMPACT LISTENING

With the introduction of the portable Walkman in the early 80s came a lighter version of headphones – supra-aural headphones, Cunnick said. This style of headphones has pads that rest on top of the ears.

Though these headphones shape similar to their predecessors, Cunnick said they are more suitable for “half-listening” – having music on while you also need to be paying attention to what’s going on around you, as they do not entirely cancel outside noise.

Koss PortaPro stereophones were originally introduced in 1984, but have recently been making a comeback. They are available on *Antonline.com* for \$32, plus shipping.

MODERN STANDARD

Earbuds offer busy listeners on the go with one of the most portable music experiences available.

These headphones, which are placed directly outside the ear canal, became a staple in the listening industry with the growing popularity of MP3 players in the 1990s, said Frank Beer, owner of the Manhattan Radio Shack, located at 614 Fort Riley Blvd.

Though earbuds are small and convenient to carry around, Beer said the harmful effects of such close proximity to your ear drums is something to take into consideration when headphone shopping.

“Every generation has its guilty pleasure and loud music is one of them,” he said. “It comes down to buy what you can afford and what’s comfortable for you,” he said.

The upside of earbuds is they are generally inexpensive and easy to find in stores rather than having to order them online. Beer recommended Sony brand earbuds because they are a traditional, trusted brand that most people feel comfortable with. Radio Shack carries the Sony Sweet Earbuds in six colors for \$19.99. Beer also said he will let his customers open any headphones and try them out before they make a purchase.

IN-EAR EXPERIENCE

For a more direct sound, Beer said canal headphones can take listening up a notch. Canal headphones are earbuds that are directly inserted into the ear canal, acting as earplugs to block outside noise.

Similar to regular earbuds, canal phones carry a higher risk of hearing loss, though Beer said they typically provide a clearer sound than buds.

Beer said the Skullcandy brand revolutionized the earphone industry by creating more stylish headphones when owner Rick Alden started custom designing them in his Utah home basement in 2003. For \$39.95, you can order the Titan canal phones from *Skullcandy.com* in one of 11 colors.

“The more you pay, the better the sound,” Beer said. “This is most always the case with headphones.”

MY LIFE AS AN AWKWARD GRAD STUDENT

‘Little brother’ turns out to be perfect match for adventures

“This is Adam, calling with Big Brothers Big Sisters. I was wondering if Jack was available.”

I heard some rustling around for a bit and then on came little 10-year-old Jack. Awesome kid.

Awe-some. The first day we met I saw him contemplating something before he decided to interrupt our caseworker, saying almost philosophicaly, “Sometimes I like doing nothing more than something.”

“Really?” I asked, intrigued.

“Yes,” he continued. “I like to walk around and just watch people doing things.”

“Jack,” I began with a heart-felt smile, “you and

I are going to get along just fine.”

So Jack got on the phone and we went through the standard how-was-your-day type stuff.

“Well, do you still want to hang out tomorrow, or are you over me already?” I asked.

“Well ...” he drew it out for emphasis. Like I said, awesome kid. “I’d hang out with you again.” “I’ve got a few ideas,” I said. “Got some wiener dog races at 10:30. And that’s down by the mall so I thought we could go get lunch there afterwards.”

“Then the fair’s going on and I’ve never really been there – I don’t know what they do, but we could go get lunch there and do that stuff instead. And lastly – if you’re into this sort of thing – the fair starts up its carnival rides at 6.”

Jack started before I finished: “I ... I have a question. Those three

things –”

“Need me to repeat them?” I interrupted with a portioned laugh.

“No. I just have one question.”

“Sure. Shoot, Jack.” “Can we do all three?”

Hell yes! Of course, I didn’t actually say that.

“Sure, man! So I’ll pick you up at 10. Let your mom know and have her call me if she has any questions.”

I said, “Goodbye.” He said, “See you later.”

10 a.m. came and Jack opened the door. “Good morning!” I belted out.

“Hey.” He sounded quite unenthusiased. “Too early for you?” “Yeah.”

“Me too, Jack. Me too.”

We drove toward the mall for the wiener

See GRAD STUDENT, Page 8

IN THE KITCHEN

Summer fruit dip perfect for picnics

1 INGREDIENTS

2 kiwis, peeled and diced  
2 Golden Delicious apples - peeled, cored and diced  
8 ounces raspberries  
1 pound strawberries  
1 tablespoon white sugar  
1 tablespoon brown sugar  
3 tablespoons fruit preserves, any flavor  
10 10-inch flour tortillas  
Butter-flavored cooking spray  
2 cups cinnamon sugar

2 DIRECTIONS

1. In a large bowl, thoroughly mix kiwis, Golden Delicious apples, raspberries, strawberries, white sugar, brown sugar and fruit preserves. Cover and chill in the refrigerator at least 15 minutes.  
2. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.  
3. Coat one side of each flour tortilla with butter-flavored cooking spray. Cut into wedges and arrange in a single layer on a large baking sheet. Sprinkle wedges with desired amount of cinnamon sugar. Spray again with cooking spray.  
4. Bake in the preheated oven eight to 10 minutes. Repeat with any remaining tortilla wedges. Allow to cool approximately 15 minutes. Serve with chilled fruit mixture.

3 NUTRITIONAL FACTS

Serving Size	1 cup
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 457	
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# Enjoying the dog days of summer



Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN  
**Tally**, a four-and-a-half-year-old English Mastiff, rests on her porch while **Cade Adolph**, Manhattan resident, talks to her owner, **Randy Fleeker** Monday evening. **Adolph** and **Fleeker** talked about local events and summertime weather while Tally kept cool at **Fleeker's** house on Ninth Street

# Presidential inauguration location, date changed

By Rebecca Bush  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

High interest in President Kirk Schulz's inauguration ceremony has led organizers to change the venue and date to allow more people to attend.

Schulz, who took office June 15, is scheduled to be inaugurated at 2 p.m. Sept. 24 in Bramlage Coliseum. The ceremony was originally slated to be in McCain Auditorium, but organizers chose to change the event's location to accommodate an anticipated large crowd.

"We want everyone who wishes to attend the inauguration to be able to do so," Schulz said in a press release.

Charles Reagan, chief of staff and deputy to the president, said in the press release that the ceremony would be similar to the "modest" format of the previous two K-State presidential inaugurations.

A reception will take place immediately following the inauguration, and both the ceremony and reception are open to the public.

# SGA leaders discuss goals for school year

By Tim Schrag  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Student Governing Association might not currently be in session, but the heads of the legislative and executive branches of SGA have been busy preparing for the upcoming school year. The Collegian had the opportunity to sit down with Student Body President Dalton Henry and Speaker of the Student Senate Amy Schultz on Friday to discuss their goals for this school year.

*Q: What are you doing to keep the price of tuition down?*

A: Henry: "When we look at tuition this coming year, I think we did a really great job of looking at making sure that we didn't make a tuition increase greater than what our students could afford. We know that our students are starting to struggle more, especially when we look at the economic times we're in, but going forward into this coming year, a couple of things that Amy and I have talked about doing to keep that tuition or fee increase as low as possible ... we started doing a lot of the light work now, really working with a lot of our privilege fee agencies to talk with them about what they may be coming forward with, what they're expecting to see in their budgets, starting those discussions a little bit earlier.

Also we have a student group that gives the first recommendation for tuition. Normally we call that group together in January and they kind of start meeting in late January or early February, once the legislature is in session. I think with this next year, we're looking at pulling this student group together in September so that we can start talking about different strategies surrounding tuition or other little things that we can tweak and other adjustments to try and keep that tuition increase as low as possible."

A: Schultz: "The most important thing is it's easy to get caught up when you're working with hundred-thousand-dollar budgets and 800-thousand-dollar budgets to forget about what the \$5, \$50 increase will do to a student. So I think Dalton and I have really focused on thinking about how this affects the individual student and focusing on if there is one freshman that \$10 increase is going to affect, then we need to take that into account. So focusing more on the individual price of students rather than the overwhelming budgets has been something that has helped us be successful."

To read the full Q&A, including information on SGA goals and changing faces on campus, visit [www.kstatecollegian.com](http://www.kstatecollegian.com).

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## GRAD STUDENT | Wiener dog races, slushies, food and costumes complete day

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dog races which had already started, of course. I parked the car and Jack and I raced over closer for a better view. He won.

The thing you need to know about wiener dogs is that they're little. Fine. They're also dogs like any other, and as such they chase anything little that runs despite the fact that it might indeed be bigger than them.

So the gates raise and these little champions of life take off for God knows what reason, but as soon as they catch a glimpse of each other and realize they're not alone, they go nuts and chase after each other barking and screaming.

Needless to say, these races were hysterical! I loved 'em. I can't believe they've been doing it for eight years and this is the first I've heard of it. Raisin ended up taking the cake, but it was intense! Dogs were running every which way, tackling each other, jumping over barriers ... it was awesome.

Not a dog we cheered for won a single heat. Most of them just turned around to greet their fans and sign autographs as their gate opened.

The closest one came early on when Josie or Max (or any number of others – I cannot recall) was leading the pack about halfway down the track, his ears tucked back, tongue flailing in the wind – when all of a sudden he changed his mind.

He stopped, turned and darted

straight back into the gate from which he came. I don't know. Stage fright, I guess.

Afterward, we went in for lunch. "Do they have Thai food here?" Jack surprised me.

"Ha," I answered. "I doubt it." But really? Who is this 10-year-old who likes Thai food? An awesome 10-year-old, that's who.

When I was 10, the only things I knew that came from Thailand were Sagat and M. Bison ... and they sucked.

This was just the tip of the iceberg of our fun-filled, action-packed day that would go on to include an arcade, hide-and-seek at a pet store, slushies and, of course, outlandish costumes at the party outlet.

I had an incredible day with Jack and can't wait to do it all over again. I mean, these were all things I've always wanted to do and now I finally found a companion to join me.

On a serious note – if ever there was such a note in the whole spectra of sound – if you don't suck (because some people do), you should consider Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Of all the non-profit organizations I've been associated with, it is by far the best and seemingly most useful and organized. Try it out, though – there's still a lot of cool kids out there who just need a friend.

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## NBAF | Foot-and-mouth disease a concern

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in draft form and there will be a hearing Thursday in Washington to examine the findings and allow both sides to present their case," Thornton said.

"On methodology, the Department of Homeland Security was required to conduct an analysis of foot-and-mouth disease and on the safety protocols of the new facility and they came to three principal conclusions: first, that it is safe to conduct the research and create a modern facility for biological study; second, that no matter what the location, it is not any safer to conduct studies off-shore or on mainland; and finally that there would be economic consequence no matter where an outbreak should occur, if that were to happen," he said.

According to the report, the current research is conducted on a federally owned island north of Long Island,

N.Y., called the Plum Island Animal Disease Center. This location is considered to be far enough away to not be hazardous to susceptible livestock populations.

While foot-and-mouth disease is not a concern for human infection, it is acknowledged by the GAO as the most infectious disease, with a 100 percent infection rate of animals exposed. Similar studies conducted in other countries have suggested an island might be the safest place to contain an outbreak, should one occur.

However, the GAO admitted the location does not guarantee full prevention of a release of infectious materials.

In corroboration, the Department of Homeland Security and supporters of NBAF cite the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta as an example of effective risk management and planning against pathogen outbreaks in the continental U.S.

## CITY | Predicted increase in traffic leads to call for improvements to Anderson intersections

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while, emphasizing the need for enhanced safety at both Manhattan intersections – for motorists as well as pedestrians and cyclists – as well as improved traffic flow.

Currently, BG Consultants estimate that some 8,000 vehicles pass through west Anderson Avenue everyday, a figure that BG predicts will rise to 13,840 vehicles per day by 2028.

While no final decision was made at

Tuesday evening's meeting regarding the west Anderson transportation design project, city commissioners did not rule out recommendations put forth by BG Consultants.

Mayor Bob Strawn concluded the meeting by suggesting that the National Bio- and Agro-Defense (NBAF) facility could warrant the city to consider further traffic flow measures in the future, should the facility find its home in Manhattan sometime in late 2014 or 2015.

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